

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicant: Patrick M. HUGHES

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For: DELIVERY OF AN ACTIVE DRUG TO  
THE POSTERIOR PART OF THE EYE  
VIA SUBCONJUNCTIVAL OR  
PERIOcular DELIVERY OF A  
PRODRUG

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**RESPONSE TO JANUARY 30, 2009 OFFICE ACTION**

In response to an office action mailed January 30, 2009, the applicants respond as follows:

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